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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Wednesday, May 16, 2007
Date/Time of Occurrence: Tuesday, May 15, 2007
Nature of Event: Attempted Kidnapping
Location of Call: Granite Bay
Released by: Dena Erwin, PIO (530) 889-6901

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:



Placer County Sheriff's detectives are asking for the public's help in finding a man suspected of trying to kidnap a 15-year-old Granite Bay boy Tuesday afternoon.

The suspect approached the boy as he left a friend's house on Eureka Road in Granite Bay at 4:25 p.m. The man asked the boy for money, but the boy told him he didn't have any. The suspect pushed the boy into a gray, four-door sedan and tried to back out of the driveway. Despite the fact that the passenger door's interior panel was broken, the boy was able to crank the window down enough to reach the outside door handle and open the door.

The suspect then drove southbound on Auburn Folsom Road, causing traffic to momentarily stop. He has not been seen since.

The Caucasian suspect is described as heavyset, 6 feet, 1 inch tall, with a graying beard and a ruddy complexion. He wore brown sunglasses, a plaid, button-down shirt and a fishing hat. He was barefoot and smelled of alcohol. The non-descript vehicle was described as being in poor condition.

The suspect may have stopped at other homes or businesses in the Granite Bay area asking for money. Anyone with information is urged to call Det. Bill Summers at (530) 889-7843.